

PROMPT CLOSING SOUGHT BY CLERKS

Retail Protective Association Appeals to Public.

SHOP IN EARLY HOURS

Women Can Easily Solve Problem if They Will Not Delay Their Purchases.

Prompt closing at 6 o'clock during the week and 9 o'clock on Saturday is the slogan of the Retail Clerks' Protective Association.

The agitation which is at present stirring up both clerks and public is the fact that the stores persist in remaining open from ten to thirty minutes after closing time.

The clerks say that the employers are gradually getting away from the promises made them and are endeavoring to lengthen the working hours. That the only hope of the clerks for redress lies in the attitude of the public is realized by both clerk and employer.

The association is straining every nerve to impress the public with the necessity for shopping during the day, or at least during the hours previous to closing time, but so far their efforts have met with little success.

Lies With Women.
The solution of the problem lies with the women more than the men, say the clerks, for they are the ones who insist upon delaying their purchases until a late hour. President D. F. Manning, of the Retail Clerks' Protective Association, said to a Times reporter today:

"We are not contending for minimum hours, neither for a wage scale, but simply for a prompt closing at the present hours. If the big department stores insist on taking ten minutes the small stores will take half an hour and as soon as the closing hour runs over 9:30 on Saturdays it will be extended to 10."

Not Sufficiently Organized.
"We are not sufficiently organized to demand that the stores be closed at the proper hour, neither do we attempt to dictate to a merchant how he shall run his business, but we do ask for fairness at the hands of the public."

"Where is the humanity of those who compel any woman, young or old, to be

OFFICERS OF RETAIL CLERKS' ASSOCIATION WHO ARE NOW WORKING FOR SHORTER HOURS



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on her feet thirteen to fifteen hours per day? And, too, where is the humanity of those women who will impose this cruel hardship on members of their own sex by neglecting to make their purchases at reasonable hours? It can be settled by the women.

"They can regulate the hours of shopping."

"The ladies' auxiliaries, church societies, and other organizations ought to take up and bring about a more general and prompt closing of the retail stores."

"It rests with the women."

MAD MAN CLEARS CAR OF TRAVELERS

NEW YORK, Oct. 21.—While the Royal Blue Line express train was dashing to New York today, thirty passengers were driven from a day-coach by Abram Isrook, of 63 Broome street, New York, who suddenly became insane.

For twenty miles the trainmen struggled to subdue Isrook. This was not accomplished until the man had bitten several of them, torn their clothing, and had himself almost denuded.

REALTY COMPANY ASKS FORECLOSURE

The Empire State Realty Company yesterday began proceedings in the local courts against Sarah J. Croissant and Dewitt C. Croissant, committee for John D. Croissant, a non compos, asking for the foreclosure of a second mortgage and the appointment of a trustee to sell real estate, and for an accounting under a mortgage given to the realty company about eleven years ago.

The complainant is the successor to the Anglo-American Savings and Loan Association of New York. The amount involved is \$2,500.

BLAZE IN FREIGHT YARD.

Fire from an unknown origin destroyed a car and damaged two others in the Rosslyn freight yard about 2:45 o'clock yesterday. The track was also damaged, and several of the ties burned.

A watchman discovered the flames and telephoned to Captain Amis, night chief of detectives, who sent in a local alarm. The members of No. 5 engine company in Georgetown responded to the call, and extinguished the flames.

"KING OF FORGERS" HAS BEEN CONVICTED

BUFFALO, Oct. 21.—Alonzo J. Whitman, of Danville, N. Y., known as the "king of forgers" was convicted by a jury in the supreme court this morning of grand larceny, first degree, in passing a forged check for \$750 on the Fidelity Trust Bank.

Whitman once ran as a candidate for mayor of Duluth, Minn. He has served several sentences for forgery in other States. In two former trials here the jury disagreed.

SEWELL CHILDREN SUE TO REGAIN ESTATE TAX

Helen L. Sewell and William J. Sewell, Jr., children of the late Senator Sewell, of New Jersey, with the Camden Safe Deposit and Trust Company, executor of their father's will, through counsel, Cole and Donaldson, yesterday commenced suit in the Court of Claims against the United States to recover \$14,208.50, said to have been illegally collected from the estate as revenue taxes.

GOT JONES' BODY, DECLARES CONSUL

Gowdy Says Measurement Was Convincing.

HE CORROBORATES PORTER

Was Present When Remains of Famous Soldier Were Measured. Identification Soon Followed.

John K. Gowdy, of Indiana, who for eight years has been consul general at Paris has returned to America to live. Mr. Gowdy is spending a few days in Washington before going to his home in Indiana. He is accompanied by Mrs. Gowdy and their daughter, Miss Helen Gowdy.

The retiring consul general gives interesting evidence of the fact that the body of John Paul Jones, which was recovered in Paris is really that of the famous American sailor. There has been doubt in the minds of many persons on this point, but what Mr. Gowdy has to say should dispel all skepticism.

"Along with the enthusiasm and interest shown by Americans in the discovery of the remains of John Paul Jones, I have noticed a little skepticism," said Mr. Gowdy, in discussing the search for Jones' remains. "But I can say that there is not the slightest doubt of the identity of the remains we dug up."

Corroborative Proof.
"Ambassador Porter and I were working independently of each other, but along practically the same lines. To him belongs the credit for the discovery of the body. I was but a few days behind him, however, and would undoubtedly have made the same discovery."

"This shows that the place where Ambassador Porter's men said the body was buried was all right, as my men were working up to exactly the same point."

"I was present when the remains that were thought to be those of John Paul Jones were measured, and it took but a few minutes to identify them."

Had Bust of Jones.
"We had a copy of the Philadelphia bust of Jones, which is considered the most reliable in existence. When the

MISS ALICE ROOSEVELT NEARING HOME SHORES

Will Land in San Francisco From Triumphal Tour in Orient—Left Regal Impression Upon Potentates.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 21.—Miss Alice Roosevelt will arrive at San Francisco early next week, fresh from her triumphal tour of the Far East.

No other American girl has made so wonderful a trip as that which is just drawing to a close. She has been treated throughout as if she had been a royal princess. It may be said that from all accounts she has borne herself with all the dignity the situation has required.

body was exhumed, careful measurements were made of the skull.

"These measurements and the measurements of the bust tallied to a gnat's heel. The body had been pickled in alcohol, and the skeleton was well preserved. Its measurements tallied with those of John Paul Jones as they have been handed down to us."

"It was the measurements of the skull, however, which promptly convinced the scientific men we had working with us of the identity of the body."

Mr. Gowdy and Ambassador Porter each spent a good deal of money out of his own pocket on the search for Jones' body, but they feel that it was well spent.

SERGEANT ANDERSON'S CASE IS HELD OVER

The hearing of Sergeant Thomas Anderson, of the Anacostia station, was not resumed before the police trial board yesterday morning as had been expected. Anderson is charged with conduct unbecoming an officer.

The prosecution finished its case yesterday and at the next hearing the defense will be heard. The charges against Anderson were preferred by Private Crouch, of the Anacostia station.

EMBARRASSING.

A Philadelphia business man tells this one on himself:

"You know, in this city there are two telephone companies," he said, "and in my office I have a telephone of each company. Last week I hired a new office boy, and one of his duties was to answer the telephone. The other day, when one of the bells rang, he answered the call, and then came in and told me I was wanted on the telephone by my wife."

"Which one?" I inquired quickly, thinking of the two telephones, of course.

"Please, sir, stammered the boy, 'I don't know how many you have.'"

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She has been received with all honor by the Emperor and Empress of China, who rule nearly a quarter of the human race, and by other potentates and powers in the East.

The United States is glad to welcome her home. If the customs authorities permit her to bring in duty free the magnificent presents showered upon her, it is doubtful if there will be any great outcry about the generosity.

SURPRISE SPRUNG IN COTTON TRIAL

New York Brokers Deny Federal Jurisdiction—Lawyer's Unique Plea.

NEW YORK, Oct. 21.—Hugh Gordon Miller, counsel for Moses Haas and Edward Peckham, cotton brokers of this city, who are wanted for trial in Washington on charges in connection with the cotton leak, made a unique plea today before United States Commissioner Ridgway, in an endeavor to prevent their extradition to the Capital.

Mr. Miller went on to say that there was no such office under the Federal law as that of assistant statistician of the Bureau of Agriculture. Holmes, he said, was simply a clerk. As such clerk he had the right to give friends any information he might have.

There was no statute of the Federal law making it a crime to furnish such information. He simply gave "tips" to his friends, Haas and Peckham, by letter or telegram advising them to buy or sell cotton. The Government was not defrauded in any way.

Clarance E. Houghton, assistant United States District Attorney Beach, of Washington, replied for the Government. Commissioner Ridgway reserved his decision and both sides submitted briefs.

\$2.50 Luray and Return, Including
admission to caves, Sunday, October 29. Special trains from Baltimore and Ohio R. R. station, 8:05 a. m. Probably last opportunity to visit these famous caves at small cost.

THE KIND OF CREDIT THAT IS REALLY HELPFUL

This Grocery Dept. Is Growing in Popularity Daily

For Monday we shall put on sale another choice lot of the Sugar-cured Small Shoulder Hams from Whitfield & Co.; they are small, lean, and tender; from young corn-fed pigs; 4 88c to 7 pounds each; per pound.

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| Shriver's Blue Ridge Corn | 73c |
| St. Regis 35c Coffee | 29c |
| Shriver's Silver Label Peas | 73c |
| Campbell's Catsup | 83c |
| Red Alaska Salmon | 113c |
| Sardines, in oil or mustard | 34c |
| Pure Apple Butter; 3-pound crocks | 25c |
| Celery Chow-chow; large bottles | 83c |
| Lima Beans; Pan American | 93c |
| Peanut Butter; large glasses | 83c |
| Durkee's Salad Dressing | 83c |
| Sirup in large glass jars | 83c |
| Vinegar; red or white | 83c |
| Beets, in large cans | 83c |

Another Big Lot of Those Quick-Selling Sample Gloves

We have just received from the importer 200 dozen more of the high-grade sample lines of Women's and Misses' Gloves of all kinds, no two pairs alike. Included are finest Angora wool, lisle suede, silk, and cashmere gloves; some are silk lined, some chamois lined; thousands of beautiful Golf Gloves; every pair is imported, and the values are from 50c to \$1.50. In the Monday sale, for choice

Now's the Time for Underwear

No store is as well prepared to meet every demand in underwear as is this store. And not only is the variety greater, but prices are not equalled for lowness by any store. Read these—

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| Women's High-grade All-wool Scarlet Vests and Pants; in all sizes and perfectly made; very special bargain for Monday | 89c |
| Women's Jersey Union Suits; the regular winter weight; for Monday it will be especially reduced to | 89c |
| Women's Heavy Quality Fleece-lined Undershirts and Pants; very desirable and warranted for satisfactory wear; a special bargain for Monday | 49c |
| Boys' and Misses' Good Quality Fleece-lined Underwear, in all sizes; warm and just the right weight; for Monday to be reduced to | 25c |
| Men's Heavy Fleece Undershirts and Drawers; good and serviceable quality; and well made; all sizes; for Monday the price is | 39c |
| Men's Fine Quality Natural Wool Undershirts and Drawers; very warm and just the right weight; all sizes; specially priced for Monday | 49c |
| Men's High-grade and Very Superior Quality Glastonbury Natural Wool Shirts and Drawers; in all sizes; a very unusual bargain for Monday | 98c |
| Boys' Good Quality Jersey Union Suits; fleece-lined and extra well made; in all sizes; we have made a special Monday reduction to | 50c |
| Infants' Fine White Wool Bands; prettily silk embroidered; all sizes; They have been specially reduced for Monday to | 25c |

Timely Reductions in Bedwear

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| Heavy 10-4 Blankets, in white, gray, or tan; pretty borders; worth 75c pair (2 pairs to a customer); for Monday to be reduced to | 39c |
| Heavy 11-4 Blankets, with pretty colored borders; white and gray; worth \$1 pair. Monday price | 69c |
| Lot of Extra Heavy 11-4 White Blankets, with neat colored borders; pink or blue; worth \$2 pair. Monday day price | \$1.39 |
| Extra Heavy White 11-4 Wool Blankets, with colored borders; pink, blue, and gray; worth \$4.50 pair. Monday price | \$2.98 |
| White Bedspreads; good size and in pretty patterns; worth 80c (not more than 2 to a customer); each | 59c |
| Lot of White Bedspreads, in full double bed size; pretty patterns; worth \$1.00. Monday price | 79c |

The Hecht business is founded upon what may be expressed in a single word—CONFIDENCE. Nearly 200,000 accounts have been opened; our mammoth stocks have been at the service of our multitudes of patrons, and all we have asked is their promise to pay. We have had CONFIDENCE. And the results have abundantly justified it—the confidence became mutual.

The kind of credit that is really helpful, and not involving an expense over and above the actual purchase price, is the kind which says "cash or credit—always one price, and that the lowest." That's the ideal of the Hecht Stores. Not spasmodically—throwing out baits in the way of low prices to catch the unwary (as do many stores), and overcharging at other times—but all the time, every day, week in and week out, in season and out of season, selling the most desirable merchandise in the world at uniformly smaller prices than any other store in Washington. This can be proven any time, any day. Could there be a better, more forceful reason for YOU buying now and paying later (if you are not already a patron)? Will you open an account tomorrow?

Women's Suits, Skirts, and Wraps At Decidedly Reduced Prices

Always leading in popularity, this great department devoted to women's tailored wear has taken a still higher place in the completeness and elegance of the present display. Of special and particular interest will be a number of most desirable lines greatly under-priced for tomorrow. The best informed buyers will be here for these—

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| A special Monday offering of Women's hand-somely tailored Suits, in fine chevots; blue, brown, black, and dark mixed effects; eton and blouse styles; position back skirts; stylishly trimmed with silk braid; regularly \$19.98 | \$9.98 |
| Lot of Extra Well-tailored Skirts in fine all-wool chevots; black only; stylish pleated styles; also black and black Panama skirts in the latest knit styles; \$5.98 value; Monday day price | \$3.98 |
| A very stylish lot of Fine Voile Skirts in blue, brown, and black, effectively trimmed with bands of taffeta silk and Mexican drawn work; these skirts are splendidly tailored and are worth \$12.98; in the Monday sale | \$5.98 |
| Large lot of Fine Black Taffeta Silk Undershirts, all nicely ruffled and extra well made in every particular; these Undershirts were made to sell at \$5.98 (some stores ask more); we have placed them in the big Monday sale at | \$3.98 |
| Taffeta Silk Undershirts in a wide range of the most wanted colors and two-tone effects; they are elaborately ruffled and splendidly made throughout; these undershirts sell regularly at \$8.98 and \$7.98; in the Monday sale at | \$4.98 |
| A splendidly Tailored Suit in fine broadcloth and chevots; black, brown, blue, and green; new and very smart coat effects; trimmed and plain; latest skirts; regularly \$24.98 | \$12.98 |
| Lot of very handsome Peau de Soie and Taffeta Silk Waists, in various colors and black; most attractive styles, and the season's newest and most stylish effects; \$5 and \$6 values; they are one of the best specials in the Monday sale, at | \$2.49 |
| Very stylish Long Coats in the smartest of dark mixed fabrics; in green, brown, and gray effects; the new tourist style; these up-to-date coats sell at \$19.98 regularly, but are in the Anniversary sale at | \$12.98 |
| Lot of fine quality and stylish long Rain Coats, so necessary for the well-dressed woman; they are positively rainproof, and are in the most desirable fashions, oxford gray, and dark mixed effects; you'll find them marked \$22.98; in the big sale at | \$12.98 |
| The smartest Coats of the season—the extremely stylish Black Peau de Soie and Taffeta Silk Coats, in the three-quarter length; close-fitting; full lined throughout; being sold regularly at \$29.98; sale price | \$16.98 |

Linens at Great Reductions

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| A special purchase of fine 58-inch Bleached Table Damask; heavy satin finish; will wear splendidly; the value is 29c | 29c |
| All-Blen fringed German Dollies, plain white and with red and blue borders; very specially priced | 28c |
| Nice quality Bureau Scarfs, fringed all around; red and blue centers; 70 inches long; usually sell at 30c; not more than 2 to a buyer | 19c |
| Extra Good quality German Napkins in small check patterns; for lunch napkins and home use; 13-inch size | 28c |
| Fine quality Bleached Damask Dinner Napkins; 20-inch size; the kind that sell usually at \$1.25; reduced to | 98c |
| Domest Flannel Skirt Patterns; light and dark grounds; stripe and check effects; crocheted edge | 19c |
| New yard-wide Percales; 350 yards in the lot; all dark grounds; the regular 18c value; may not last all day | 48c |
| Mercerized Sateen Moire Velours for linings; brown, pink, red, garnet, and light blue; value is positively 19c yard | 10 1/2c |
| Lot of very desirable Unbleached Canton Flannels; extra heavy nap and twill; large mill lengths; sold universally at 13c a yard | 8c |

A Hosiery Sale of Exceptional Importance

We've planned to make Monday a big and busy day in Hosiery, and we base our expectations on the following remarkable offering. For the day we have a great variety of new Women's Black Lace Hose, a purchase direct from the best hosiery makers in the country. It is the same identical hosiery that is sold by all first-class stores at the standard price of 25c pair. But owing to a very slight, and in nearly every case, imperceptible, imperfection that will not affect the wear or appearance in the least, we were able to buy them so that we can sell them tomorrow at 2 pairs for 15c; pair.

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| MEN'S HEAVY BLACK Cotton Hose that sell regularly at 15c. For Monday reduced to | 10c |
| WOMEN'S FAST BLACK COTTON Hose, with white feet; value is 15c. For tomorrow, 2 pairs for 15c, per pair | 8c |
| MEN'S BLACK COTTON Hose, with white feet; sold by all stores at 15c per pair, now to | 10c |
| CHILDREN'S VERY SERVICEABLE Black Ribbed Double Knee Hose; sizes 6 to 9 1/2; sell at 12 1/2c; two pairs for 15c; per pair | 8c |

These Monday Specials Are Crowd-Bringers

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| Lot of 4-4 Tapestry Table Covers, in various pretty colors; worth 40c. Sale price | 14 1/2c |
| Pretty Mantel and Piano Lambrequins; made of pretty art drapery; worth 35c. Sale price | 19c |
| Full size Lace Curtains; Stretchers, with all necessary attachments. Monday price, complete | 69c |
| Oak and Mahogany Finished Curtains; Poles; wood trimmings; 4 feet; reduced to | 78c |
| Lot of White Hemstitched Bureau Scarfs and Shams; very desirable; worth 20c. Sale price | 9 1/2c |
| 350 yards of newest Curtain Swisses, in various colors, with terms; worth 15c yard. Monday price | 78c |
| Best quality Window Shades, in various colors, with fixtures. Monday price | 19c |
| White Applique Bureau Scarfs and Shams; some slightly soiled; value is 30c; reduced to | 15 1/2c |

Another Most Attractive Waist Offering

For the Monday selling we have placed on the display tables about 30 dozen Fall-weight Waists, in fine quality white madras; light and heavy weights. These waists are all perfectly made and are in neat and pretty styles. When this lot goes no more can be sold at the price. Not a waist in the lot is worth less than \$1.50; some are worth high as \$2.50. All in the sale at

59c

Remarkable Sale of National Biscuit Co.'s Products

Every person knows them and knows what they sell for in every store in the land. Tomorrow we shall break all records by selling this company's well-known and popular

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| Lemon Snaps, | 27c |
| Zu-Zus, | 28c |
| Red Grammas, | |
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In this connection we may note that we are recognized as the largest distributors of the products of the National Biscuit Co. in Washington; and of course, we allow no opportunity to pass wherein we can benefit our patrons where a price reduction is possible we get it and you get it. The goods in this sale have come to us direct from the bakeries, and are fresh and crisp. In order to prevent other dealers from purchasing these goods to sell at a profit, we will not sell more than a package to any one customer.

FREE!

Tomorrow in our Toilet Goods Department we will present to every purchaser a package of "BURNETT'S BREATHLETS," so extensively advertised in the magazines. They are recognized as the best breathlet, and are a delightful confection. Will even take away the odor of onions. Get a package tomorrow—free.

Men's Collars 2 for 15c

As an extraordinary special in our Furnishings Department we shall sell choice from our entire stock of Men's Four-ply Linen Collars, in all styles and kinds, selling at 10c and 12 1/2c, at 2 for 15c.

HECHTS' GREATER STORES
513-515-517 Seventh Street